Docket No.: Q73377

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN PATENT APPLICATION (37 CFR 1.63)

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ORTHODONTIC BRACKET AND CLIP RELEASE TOOL

OR

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the application of which

was filed on <u>December 9, 2003</u> as United States Application
Number or PCT International Application Number 10/730,268
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I hereby claim benefit under 35 United States Code §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

Application Number(s) 60/431,693

Filing Date
December 9, 2002

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